

**AGENDA  
MAINE STATE HARNESS RACING COMMISSION  
MEETING**

**May 16, 2016**

Gambling Control Board Conference Room

Department of Public Safety

45 Commerce Drive, Augusta, Maine

**Starting Time 9:00 AM**

- 1. Call the Meeting to Order and Introductions:** William Varney, Chair
- 2. Review and Approval of Written Decisions and Orders**
- 3. Consideration of Pending Motions Relating to the Consolidated Cobalt Case**
- 4. Adjudicatory Hearings:**
  - a. RE: Steven Vafiades, Complaint Number 2014 MSHRC 0017.** Mr. Vafiades is alleged to have violated MSHRC Rules Chapter 11 Section 8. Mr. Vafiades is trainer of record for the horse “Puzzlement”. A blood sample obtained from Puzzlement following the Eighth Race at Scarborough Downs on July 25, 2014 disclosed the presence of Flunixin.
  - b. RE: Steven Vafiades, Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 063.** Mr. Vafiades is alleged to have violated MSHRC Rules Chapter 7 and 11. Mr. Vafiades is the trainer of record for the horse “Real Special”. A blood sample obtained from Real Special following the Eleventh Race at Bangor Raceway on July 21, 2015 disclosed the presence of Ketoprofen.
  - c. RE: Steven Vafiades, Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 065.** Mr. Vafiades is alleged to have violated MSHRC Rules Chapter 7 and 11. Mr. Vafiades is the trainer of record for the horse “Real Special”. A blood sample obtained from Real Special following the Ninth Race at Scarborough Downs on July 25, 2015 disclosed the presence of Ketoprofen.
  - d. RE: Stephen Murchison, Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 058.** Mr. Murchison is alleged to have violated MSHRC Rules Chapter 7 and 11. Mr. Murchison is the trainer of record for the horse “Big Bad Baylee”. A blood sample obtained from Big Bad Baylee following the Ninth Race at Scarborough Downs on May 2, 2015 disclosed the presence of Cobalt.
  - e. RE: Stephen Murchison, Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 059.** Mr. Murchison is alleged to have violated MSHRC Rules Chapter 7 and 11. Mr. Murchison is the trainer of record for the horse “Friendship”. A blood sample obtained from Friendship following the Fifth Race at Scarborough Downs on May 3, 2015 disclosed the presence of Cobalt.

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- f. RE: Stanley Whittemore, Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 072.** Mr. Whittemore is alleged to have violated MSHRC Rules Chapter 7 and 11. Mr. Whittemore is the trainer of record for the horse “Passion Upperclass”. A blood sample obtained from Passion Upperclass following the Second Race at the Skowhegan Fair on August 20, 2015 disclosed the presence of Methocarbamol.
  - g. RE: Robert Gray, Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 075.** Mr. Gray is alleged to have violated MSHRC Rules Chapter 7 and 11. Mr. Gray is the trainer of record for the horse “Nifty Ace”. A blood sample obtained from Nifty Ace following the Seventh Race at the Windsor Fair on September 2, 2015 disclosed the presence of Flunixin.
- 5. Other Business:**  
- Cumberland Fair has requested to change their post time on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 to 1:30 p.m. and not 3:00 p.m.
  - 6. Public Comment**
  - 7. Schedule of Future Meetings**
  - 8. Adjourn**